

MINUTES OF THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Thomas C. (Tim) Owens at 9:35 a.m. on January 26, 2009, in Room 545-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator David Haley- excused
Senator Jean Schodorf- excused

Committee staff present:

Jason Thompson, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Doug Taylor, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Jerry Donaldson, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Athena Andaya, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Karen Clowers, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Roger Werholtz, Secretary, Kansas Department of Corrections

Others attending:

See attached list.

Bill Introductions

Kathy Porter, Office of Judicial Administration, requested the introduction of a bill deleting language pertaining to establishing docket fees.

The Chairman notified the Committee of additional written testimony on **SB 26** from Ed Klumpp, Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police and the Kansas Peace Officers Association. (Attachment 1)

The Chairman opened the hearing on **SB 61 - Prison-made goods act; additional authorization to contract for certain work projects.**

Roger Werholtz appeared in support providing a brief overview of the bill which allows the Secretary to contract with private landlords to repair their rental property damaged by tenants under the Department's release supervision. (Attachment 2)

There being no further conferees, the hearing on **SB 61** was closed.

The Chairman called for final action **SB 34 - Continuation of certain exceptions to disclosure under the open records act.** Senator Bruce moved, Senator Lynn seconded, to recommend **SB 34** favorably for passage. Motion carried.

The Chairman called for final action on **SB 45 - Kansas power of attorney act amendments.** Senator Lynn moved, Senator Vratil seconded, to recommend **SB 45** favorably for passage. Motion was withdrawn.

Senator Kelly moved, Senator Donovan seconded to amend SB 45, page 2, line 41 by striking the word "all". Motion carried.

Senator Donovan moved, Senator Pilcher-Cook seconded, to recommend SB 45 as amended, favorably for passage. Motion carried.

The Chairman called for final action on **SB 44 - Kansas false claims act.** Jason Thompson, staff revisor, reviewed the bill.

Senator Donovan moved, Senator Vratil seconded, to recommend SB 44 favorably for passage. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 27, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.